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SUDANESE MINSTATE DENG, IN HIS MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE AUGUST 21, SAID THAT IN A RECENT DISCUSSION WITH ETHIOPIAN FONMIN FELLEKE HE HAD THE IMPRESSION THAT SOVIETS WOULD NOT REMAIN IN ETHIOPIA FOR LONG. FELLEKE TOLD DENG THAT THE ETHIOPIANS AND THE SOVIETS HAD LITTLE IN COMMON, AND THAT MENGISTU HAD BEEN COMPELLED TO TURN TO THEM IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE IN HOLDING THE COUNTRY TOGETHER AND IN REPELLING THE SOMALI INVASION. DENG SAID THAT FELLEKE EXPECTED MENGISTU TO RID HIMSELF OF THE SOVIETS ONCE CONFIDENTIAL

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